

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 7270

January Session, 2017

LCO No. 5383



Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:

(ED)

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE EDUCATION COST-SHARING GRANT FORMULA FOR FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 2018, AND JUNE 30, 2019.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 10-262h of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):
- 3 [(a) Obsolete.
- 4 (b) Obsolete.

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- 5 (c) (1) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017,
- 6 each town shall receive an equalization aid grant in an amount equal
- 7 to the sum of any amounts paid to such town pursuant to subsection
- 8 (c) and subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 10-66ee, and the
- 9 amount provided for in subdivision (2) of this subsection.
- 10 (2) Equalization aid grant amounts.

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T2	Town	2016	2017
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T4	Andover	2,380,614	2,380,599
T5	Ansonia	16,641,477	16,641,477
T6	Ashford	3,933,350	3,933,350
T7	Avon	1,233,415	1,233,415
Т8	Barkhamsted	1,678,323	1,678,295
Т9	Beacon Falls	4,155,524	4,155,471
T10	Berlin	6,381,659	6,381,544
T11	Bethany	2,063,112	2,063,088
T12	Bethel	8,316,869	8,316,768
T13	Bethlehem	1,319,337	1,319,337
T14	Bloomfield	6,319,698	6,319,698
T15	Bolton	3,052,646	3,052,630
T16	Bozrah	1,255,401	1,255,387
T17	Branford	2,119,926	2,426,993
T18	Bridgeport	182,266,724	182,266,724
T19	Bridgewater	137,292	137,292
T20	Bristol	45,705,925	45,705,925
T21	Brookfield	1,564,515	1,564,493
T22	Brooklyn	7,110,490	7,110,430
T23	Burlington	4,439,634	4,439,537
T24	Canaan	209,258	209,258
T25	Canterbury	4,754,383	4,754,383
T26	Canton	3,488,569	3,488,492
T27	Chaplin	1,893,763	1,893,763
T28	Cheshire	9,664,954	9,664,625
T29	Chester	691,462	691,432
T30	Clinton	6,502,667	6,502,667
T31	Colchester	13,772,585	13,772,530
T32	Colebrook	508,008	508,008
T33	Columbia	2,589,653	2,589,623
T34	Cornwall	85,322	85,322
T35	Coventry	8,942,234	8,942,206

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T36	Cromwell	4,663,336	4,754,798
T37	Danbury	30,705,677	31,698,975
T38	Darien	1,616,006	1,616,006
T39	Deep River	1,727,412	1,727,394
T40	Derby	8,001,514	8,001,514
T41	Durham	3,993,506	3,993,506
T42	East Granby	1,435,957	1,481,760
T43	East Haddam	3,791,594	3,791,563
T44	East Hampton	7,715,347	7,715,291
T45	East Hartford	49,563,484	49,563,484
T46	East Haven	20,004,233	20,004,233
T47	East Lyme	7,138,163	7,138,163
T48	East Windsor	5,810,543	5,810,543
T49	Eastford	1,116,844	1,116,844
T50	Easton	593,868	593,868
T51	Ellington	9,822,206	9,822,009
T52	Enfield	29,196,275	29,195,835
T53	Essex	389,697	389,697
T54	Fairfield	3,590,008	3,590,008
T55	Farmington	1,611,013	1,611,013
T56	Franklin	948,235	948,235
T57	Glastonbury	6,773,356	6,921,094
T58	Goshen	218,188	218,188
T59	Granby	5,603,808	5,603,665
T60	Greenwich	3,418,642	3,418,642
T61	Griswold	10,977,669	10,977,557
T62	Groton	25,625,179	25,625,179
T63	Guilford	3,058,981	3,058,981
T64	Haddam	1,925,611	2,034,708
T65	Hamden	27,131,137	27,131,137
T66	Hampton	1,339,928	1,339,928
T67	Hartford	201,777,130	201,777,130
T68	Hartland	1,358,660	1,358,660
T69	Harwinton	2,779,898	2,779,876

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T70	Hebron	7,021,279	7,021,219
T71	Kent	167,342	167,342
T72	Killingly	15,871,254	15,871,254
T73	Killingworth	2,245,206	2,245,206
T74	Lebanon	5,524,550	5,524,550
T75	Ledyard	12,217,314	12,217,227
T76	Lisbon	3,927,193	3,927,193
T77	Litchfield	1,525,262	1,525,242
T78	Lyme	145,556	145,556
T79	Madison	1,576,061	1,576,061
T80	Manchester	34,864,748	34,864,748
T81	Mansfield	10,187,542	10,187,506
T82	Marlborough	3,234,990	3,234,918
T83	Meriden	60,812,457	60,812,457
T84	Middlebury	814,636	914,010
T85	Middlefield	2,153,551	2,153,527
T86	Middletown	19,861,550	19,861,550
T87	Milford	11,381,824	11,381,824
T88	Monroe	6,616,696	6,616,669
T89	Montville	12,858,302	12,858,140
T90	Morris	657,975	657,975
T91	Naugatuck	30,831,003	30,831,003
T92	New Britain	86,678,662	86,678,662
T93	New Canaan	1,495,604	1,495,604
T94	New Fairfield	4,492,869	4,492,822
T95	New Hartford	3,197,865	3,197,830
T96	New Haven	155,328,620	155,328,620
T97	New London	26,058,803	26,058,803
T98	New Milford	12,170,243	12,170,141
T99	Newington	13,226,771	13,226,394
T100	Newtown	4,760,009	5,105,657
T101	Norfolk	381,414	381,414
T102	North Branford	8,270,161	8,270,110
T103	North Canaan	2,091,790	2,091,790

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T104	North Haven	3,677,315	4,023,706
T105	North Stonington	2,906,538	2,906,538
T106	Norwalk	11,551,095	11,551,095
T107	Norwich	36,577,969	36,577,969
T108	Old Lyme	605,586	605,586
T109	Old Saybrook	652,677	652,677
T110	Orange	1,350,098	1,623,431
T111	Oxford	4,677,464	4,677,464
T112	Plainfield	15,642,779	15,642,685
T113	Plainville	10,507,328	10,507,145
T114	Plymouth	9,952,004	9,951,918
T115	Pomfret	3,136,587	3,136,587
T116	Portland	4,440,331	4,440,226
T117	Preston	3,079,403	3,079,401
T118	Prospect	5,425,749	5,425,694
T119	Putnam	8,498,260	8,498,260
T120	Redding	687,733	687,733
T121	Ridgefield	2,063,814	2,063,814
T122	Rocky Hill	3,946,076	4,396,918
T123	Roxbury	158,114	158,114
T124	Salem	3,114,216	3,114,216
T125	Salisbury	187,266	187,266
T126	Scotland	1,450,663	1,450,663
T127	Seymour	10,179,589	10,179,389
T128	Sharon	145,798	145,798
T129	Shelton	5,706,910	6,199,810
T130	Sherman	244,327	244,327
T131	Simsbury	5,954,768	6,264,852
T132	Somers	6,068,653	6,068,546
T133	South Windsor	13,159,658	13,159,496
T134	Southbury	3,034,452	3,606,189
T135	Southington	20,621,655	20,621,165
T136	Sprague	2,661,506	2,661,473
T137	Stafford	9,981,310	9,981,252

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T138	Stamford	10,885,284	11,109,306
T139	Sterling	3,257,690	3,257,637
T140	Stonington	2,079,926	2,079,926
T141	Stratford	21,821,740	21,820,886
T142	Suffield	6,345,468	6,345,284
T143	Thomaston	5,740,782	5,740,750
T144	Thompson	7,682,218	7,682,218
T145	Tolland	10,929,052	10,928,981
T146	Torrington	24,780,972	24,780,540
T147	Trumbull	3,481,940	3,703,712
T148	Union	243,880	243,877
T149	Vernon	19,650,126	19,650,126
T150	Voluntown	2,550,166	2,550,166
T151	Wallingford	21,866,589	21,866,413
T152	Warren	99,777	99,777
T153	Washington	240,147	240,147
T154	Waterbury	134,528,710	134,528,710
T155	Waterford	1,485,842	1,485,842
T156	Watertown	12,035,017	12,034,849
T157	West Hartford	19,872,200	21,469,839
T158	West Haven	45,996,566	45,996,566
T159	Westbrook	427,677	427,677
T160	Weston	948,564	948,564
T161	Westport	1,988,255	1,988,255
T162	Wethersfield	9,022,122	9,548,677
T163	Willington	3,718,418	3,718,418
T164	Wilton	1,557,195	1,557,195
T165	Winchester	8,187,980	8,187,980
T166	Windham	26,816,024	26,816,024
T167	Windsor	12,476,044	12,476,044
T168	Windsor Locks	5,274,785	5,274,785
T169	Wolcott	13,696,541	13,696,541
T170	Woodbridge	732,889	732,889
T171	Woodbury	1,106,713	1,347,989

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T172 Woodstock 5,473,998 5,473,975]

- For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, each
- 12 town maintaining public schools according to law shall be entitled to
- 13 an equalization aid grant in an amount equal to its education cost-
- 14 <u>sharing grant entitlement.</u>
- Sec. 2. Section 10-262f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):
- 10 Tollowing is substituted in fied thereof (Effective July 1, 2017).
- 17 Whenever used in this section and sections 10-262h to 10-262j,
- 18 inclusive:
- 19 (1) "Adjusted equalized net grand list" means the equalized net grand list of a town multiplied by its income adjustment factor.
- 21 (2) "Base aid ratio" means (A) for the fiscal years ending June 30,
- 22 2008, to June 30, 2013, inclusive, one minus the ratio of a town's wealth
- 23 to the state guaranteed wealth level, provided no town's aid ratio shall
- 24 be less than nine one-hundredths, except for towns which rank from
- one to twenty when all towns are ranked in descending order from one
- 26 to one hundred sixty-nine based on the ratio of the number of children
- 27 below poverty to the number of children age five to seventeen,
- 28 inclusive, the town's aid ratio shall not be less than thirteen one-
- 29 hundredths when based on data used to determine the grants
- 30 pursuant to section 10-262h of the general statutes, revision of 1958,
- 31 revised to January 1, 2013, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and
- 32 (B) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, and each fiscal year
- 33 thereafter, one minus the town's wealth adjustment factor, except that
- 34 a town's aid ratio shall not be less than (i) ten one-hundredths for a
- 35 town designated as an alliance district, as defined in section 10-262u,
- and (ii) [two] one one-hundredths for a town that is not designated as
- 37 an alliance district.
- 38 (3) "Income adjustment factor" means the average of a town's per

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- 39 capita income divided by the per capita income of the town with the
- 40 highest per capita income in the state and a town's median household
- 41 income divided by the median household income of the town with the
- 42 highest median household income in the state.

- (4) "Median household income" for each town means that enumerated in the most recent federal decennial census of population or that enumerated in the current population report series issued by the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, whichever is more recent and available on January first of the fiscal year two years prior to the fiscal year in which payment is to be made pursuant to section 10-262i.
- (5) "Supplemental aid factor" means for each town the average of its percentage of children eligible under the temporary family assistance program and its grant mastery percentage.
  - (6) "Percentage of children eligible under the temporary family assistance program" means the town's number of children under the temporary family assistance program divided by the number of children age five to seventeen, inclusive, in the town.
- 57 (7) "Average mastery percentage" means for each school year the 58 average of the three most recent mastery percentages available on 59 December first of the school year.
  - (8) "Equalized net grand list", for purposes of calculating the amount of grant to which any town is entitled in accordance with section 10-262h, means the average of the net grand lists of the town upon which taxes were levied for the general expenses of the town two, three and four years prior to the fiscal year in which such grant is to be paid, provided such net grand lists are equalized in accordance with section 10-261a.
  - (9) "Foundation" means (A) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990, three thousand nine hundred eighteen dollars, (B) for the fiscal year

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ending June 30, 1991, four thousand one hundred ninety-two dollars, (C) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1992, four thousand four hundred eighty-six dollars, (D) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1993, June 30, 1994, and June 30, 1995, four thousand eight hundred dollars, (E) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, June 30, 1997, and June 30, 1998, five thousand seven hundred eleven dollars, (F) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, five thousand seven hundred seventy-five dollars, (G) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June 30, 2007, inclusive, five thousand eight hundred ninety-one dollars, (H) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2008, to June 30, 2013, inclusive, nine thousand six hundred eighty-seven dollars, and (I) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, and each fiscal year thereafter, eleven thousand five hundred twenty-five dollars.

(10) "Number of children age five to seventeen, inclusive" means that enumerated in the most recent federal decennial census of population or enumerated in the current population report series issued by the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, whichever is more recent and available on January first of the fiscal year two years prior to the fiscal year in which payment is to be made pursuant to section 10-262i.

- (11) "Supplemental aid ratio" means .04 times the supplemental aid factor of a town divided by the highest supplemental aid factor when all towns are ranked from low to high, provided any town whose percentage of children eligible under the temporary family assistance program exceeds twenty-five shall have a supplemental aid ratio of .04.
- (12) "Grant mastery percentage" means (A) for the school year ending June 30, 1989, average mastery percentage, and (B) for the school years ending June 30, 1990, through the school year ending June 30, 1995, the average mastery percentage plus the mastery improvement bonus, and (C) for each school year thereafter, the average mastery percentage.

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(13) "Mastery count" of a town means for each school year the grant mastery percentage of the town multiplied by the number of resident students.

- (14) "Mastery improvement bonus" means for each school year through the school year ending June 30, 1995, seventy-five per cent of the difference between (A) the grant mastery percentage for the previous school year, and (B) the average mastery percentage for the school year, but not less than zero.
- (15) "Mastery percentage" of a town for any school year means, using the mastery test data of record for the mastery examination administered in such year, pursuant to section 10-14n, the number obtained by dividing (A) the total number of valid tests with scores below the state-wide standard for remedial assistance, as determined by the Department of Education, in each subject of the examinations pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-14n taken by resident students, by (B) the total number of such valid tests taken by such students.
- (16) "Mastery test data of record" means for the school year commencing July 1, 2013, and each school year thereafter, the data of record subsequent to the administration of the mastery examinations pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-14n, as adjusted by the Department of Education pursuant to a request by a local or regional board of education filed with the department not later than the August thirtieth following the administration of such examination.
- (17) "Number of children under the temporary family assistance program" means the number obtained by adding together the unduplicated aggregate number of children five to eighteen years of age eligible to receive benefits under the temporary family assistance program or its predecessor federal program, as appropriate, in October and May of each fiscal year, and dividing by two, such number to be certified and submitted annually, no later than the first day of July of the succeeding fiscal year, to the Commissioner of Education by the

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- 133 (18) "Per capita income" for each town means that enumerated in the
  134 most recent federal decennial census of population or that enumerated
  135 in the current population report series issued by the United States
  136 Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, whichever is more
  137 recent and available on January first of the fiscal year two years prior
  138 to the fiscal year in which payment is to be made pursuant to section
  139 10-262i.
  - (19) "Regional bonus" means, for any town which is a member of a regional school district and has students who attend such regional school district, an amount equal to one hundred dollars for each such student enrolled in the regional school district on October first or the full school day immediately preceding such date for the school year prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid multiplied by the ratio of the number of grades, kindergarten to grade twelve, inclusive, in the regional school district to thirteen.
  - (20) "Regular program expenditures" means (A) total current educational expenditures less (B) expenditures for (i) special education programs pursuant to subsection (h) of section 10-76f, (ii) pupil transportation eligible for reimbursement pursuant to section 10-266m, (iii) land and capital building expenditures, and equipment otherwise supported by a state grant pursuant to chapter 173, including debt service, (iv) health services for nonpublic school children, (v) adult education, (C) expenditures directly attributable to (i) state grants received by or on behalf of school districts except grants for the categories of expenditures listed in subparagraphs (B)(i) to (B)(iv), inclusive, of this subdivision and except grants received pursuant to section 10-262i and section 10-262c of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 1987, and except grants received pursuant to chapter 173, (ii) federal grants received by or on behalf of school districts except for adult education and federal impact aid, and (iii) receipts from the operation of child nutrition services and student

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activities services, (D) expenditures of funds from private and other sources, and (E) tuition received on account of nonresident students. The town of Woodstock may include as part of the current expenses of its public schools for each school year the amount expended for current expenses in that year by Woodstock Academy from income from its endowment funds upon receipt from said academy of a certified statement of such current expenses. The town of Winchester may include as part of the current expenses of its public school for each school year the amount expended for current expenses in that year by the Gilbert School from income from its endowment funds upon receipt from said school of a certified statement of such current expenses.

(21) "Regular program expenditures per need student" means, in any year, the regular program expenditures of a town for such year divided by the number of total need students in the town for such school year, provided for towns which are members of a kindergarten to grade twelve, inclusive, regional school district and for such regional school district, "regular program expenditures per need student" means, in any year, the regular program expenditures of such regional school district divided by the sum of the number of total need students in all such member towns.

(22) "Resident students" means the number of pupils of the town enrolled in public schools at the expense of the town on October first or the full school day immediately preceding such date, provided the number shall be decreased by the Department of Education for failure to comply with the provisions of section 10-16 and shall be increased by one one-hundred-eightieth for each full-time equivalent school day in the school year immediately preceding such date of at least five hours of actual school work in excess of one hundred eighty days and nine hundred hours of actual school work and be increased by the full-time equivalent number of such pupils attending the summer sessions immediately preceding such date at the expense of the town; "enrolled" shall include pupils who are scheduled for vacation on the above date

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and who are expected to return to school as scheduled. Pupils participating in the program established pursuant to section 10-266aa shall be counted in accordance with the provisions of subsection (h) of section 10-266aa.

- 201 (23) "Schools" means nursery schools, kindergarten and grades one 202 to twelve, inclusive.
- 203 (24) "State guaranteed wealth level" means (A) for the fiscal year 204 ending June 30, 1990, 1.8335 times the town wealth of the town with 205 the median wealth as calculated using the data of record on December 206 first of the fiscal year prior to the year in which the grant is to be paid 207 pursuant to section 10-262i, (B) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 208 1991, and 1992, 1.6651 times the town wealth of the town with such 209 median wealth, (C) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1993, June 30, 210 1994, and June 30, 1995, 1.5361 times the town wealth of the town with 211 the median wealth, (D) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, to June 212 30, 2007, inclusive, 1.55 times the town wealth of the town with the 213 median wealth, and (E) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and 214 each fiscal year thereafter, 1.75 times the town wealth of the town with 215 the median wealth.

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(25) "Total need students" means the sum of (A) the number of resident students of the town for the school year, (B) (i) for any school year commencing prior to July 1, 1998, one-quarter the number of children under the temporary family assistance program for the prior fiscal year, and (ii) for the school years commencing July 1, 1998, to July 1, 2006, inclusive, one-quarter the number of children under the temporary family assistance program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997, (C) for school years commencing July 1, 1995, to July 1, 2006, inclusive, one-quarter of the mastery count for the school year, (D) for school years commencing July 1, 1995, to July 1, 2006, inclusive, ten per cent of the number of eligible children, as defined in subdivision (1) of section 10-17e, for whom the board of education is not required to provide a program pursuant to section 10-17f, (E) for the school years

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commencing July 1, 2007, to July 1, 2012, inclusive, fifteen per cent of the number of eligible students, as defined in subdivision (1) of section 10-17e, for whom the board of education is not required to provide a program pursuant to section 10-17f, (F) for the school years commencing July 1, 2007, to July 1, 2012, inclusive, thirty-three per cent of the number of children below the level of poverty, and (G) for the school year commencing July 1, 2013, and each school year thereafter, thirty per cent of the number of children eligible for free or reduced price meals or free milk.

- (26) "Town wealth" means the average of a town's adjusted equalized net grand list divided by its total need students for the fiscal year prior to the year in which the grant is to be paid and its adjusted equalized net grand list divided by its population.
- (27) "Population" of a town means that enumerated in the most recent federal decennial census of population or that enumerated in the current population report series issued by the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census available on January first of the fiscal year two years prior to the fiscal year in which a grant is to be paid, whichever is most recent; except that any town whose enumerated population residing in state and federal institutions within such town and attributed to such town by the census exceeds forty per cent of such "population" shall have its population adjusted as follows: Persons who are incarcerated or in custodial situations, including, but not limited to jails, prisons, hospitals or training schools or persons who reside in dormitory facilities in schools, colleges, universities or on military bases shall not be counted in the "population" of a town.
- (28) "Base revenue" for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, means the sum of the grant entitlements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, of a town pursuant to section 10-262h of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, and subsection (a) of section 10-76g, including its proportional share, based on enrollment, of the revenue paid pursuant to section 10-76g, to the regional district

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261 of which the town is a member, and for each fiscal year thereafter 262 means the amount of each town's entitlement pursuant to section 10-263 262h of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 264 2013, minus its density supplement, as determined pursuant to 265 subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 10-262h of the general 266 statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, except that for the 267 fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, each town's entitlement shall be 268 determined without using the adjustments made to the previous year's 269 grant pursuant to subparagraph (M) of subdivision (6) of subsection 270 (a) of section 10-262h of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised 271 to January 1, 2013, except that for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, 272 each town's entitlement shall be determined without using the 273 adjustments made to the previous year's grant pursuant to 274 subparagraph (N) of subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 10-275 262h of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 276 2013.

- 277 (29) "Density" means the population of a town divided by the square miles of a town.
- (30) "Density aid ratio" means the product of (A) the density of a town divided by the density of the town in the state with the highest density, and (B) .006273.

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- (31) "Mastery goal improvement count" means the product of (A) the difference between the percentage of state-wide mastery examination scores, pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of section 10-14n, at or above the mastery goal level for the most recently completed school year and the percentage of such scores for the prior school year, and (B) the resident students of the town, or zero, whichever is greater.
- 289 (32) "Target aid" means the sum of (A) the product of a town's base 290 aid ratio, the foundation level and the town's total need students for 291 the fiscal year prior to the year in which the grant is to be paid, (B) the

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product of a town's supplemental aid ratio, the foundation level and the sum of the portion of its total need students count described in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (25) of this section for the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, and the adjustments to its resident student count described in subdivision (22) of this section relative to length of school year and summer school sessions, and (C) the town's regional bonus.

- (33) "Fully funded grant" means the sum of (A) the product of a town's base aid ratio, the foundation level and the town's total need students for the fiscal year prior to the year in which the grant is to be paid, and (B) the town's regional bonus.
- (34) "Number of children below the level of poverty" means the number of children, ages five to seventeen, inclusive, in families in poverty, as determined under Part A of Title I of the No Child Left Behind Act, P.L. 107-110. The count for member towns of regional school districts shall be the sum of towns' initial determination under Title I and the proportionate share of the regional districts determination based member enrollment in the regional district.
- (35) "Current program expenditures" means (A) total current educational expenditures less (B) expenditures for (i) land and capital building expenditures, and equipment otherwise supported by a state grant pursuant to chapter 173, including debt service, (ii) health services for nonpublic school children, and (iii) adult education, (C) expenditures directly attributable to (i) state grants received by or on behalf of school districts except grants for the categories of expenditures listed in subparagraphs (B)(i) to (B)(iii), inclusive, of this subdivision and except grants received pursuant to section 10-262i and section 10-262c of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 1987, and except grants received pursuant to chapter 173, (ii) federal grants received by or on behalf of school districts except for adult education and federal impact aid, and (iii) receipts from the operation of child nutrition services and student activities services, (D)

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expenditures of funds from private and other sources, and (E) tuition received on account of nonresident students. The town of Woodstock may include as part of the current expenses of its public schools for each school year the amount expended for current expenses in that year by Woodstock Academy from income from its endowment funds upon receipt from said academy of a certified statement of such current expenses. The town of Winchester may include as part of the current expenses of its public school for each school year the amount expended for current expenses in that year by the Gilbert School from income from its endowment funds upon receipt from said school of a certified statement of such current expenses.

- (36) "Current program expenditures per resident student" means, in any year, the current program expenditures of a town for such year divided by the number of resident students in the town for such school year.
- 339 (37) "Base aid" means the amount of the grant pursuant to section 340 10-262h of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 341 2013, that a town was eligible to receive for the fiscal year ending June 342 30, 2013.
  - (38) "Local funding percentage" means that for the fiscal year two years prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid pursuant to section 10-262i, the number obtained by dividing (A) total current educational expenditures less (i) expenditures for (I) land and capital building expenditures, and equipment otherwise supported by a state grant pursuant to chapter 173, including debt service, (II) health services for nonpublic school children, and (III) adult education, (ii) expenditures directly attributable to (I) state grants received by or on behalf of school districts, except those grants for the categories of expenditures described in subparagraphs (A)(i)(I) to (A)(i)(III), inclusive, of this subdivision, and except grants received pursuant to chapter 173, (II) federal grants received by or on behalf of local or regional boards of education, except those grants for adult education

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and federal impact aid, and (III) receipts from the operation of child nutrition services and student activities services, (iii) expenditures of funds from private and other sources, and (iv) tuition received by the district for the education of nonresident students, by (B) total current educational expenditures less expenditures for (i) land and capital building expenditures, and equipment otherwise supported by a state grant pursuant to chapter 173, including debt service, (ii) health services for nonpublic school children, and (iii) adult education.

- (39) "Minimum local funding percentage" means (A) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, twenty per cent, (B) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, twenty-one per cent, (C) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, twenty-two per cent, (D) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, twenty-three per cent, and (E) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, twenty-four per cent.
- (40) "Number of children eligible for free or reduced price meals or free milk" means the number of pupils of the town enrolled in public schools at the expense of the town on October first or the full school day immediately preceding such date, in families that meet the income eligibility guidelines established by the federal Department of Agriculture for free or reduced price meals or free milk under the National School Lunch Program, established pursuant to P.L. 79-396.
- 377 (41) "Equalized net grand list per capita" means the equalized net 378 grand list of a town divided by the population of such town.
  - (42) "Equalized net grand list adjustment factor" means the ratio of the town's equalized net grant list per capita to one and one-half times the town equalized net grand list per capita of the town with the median equalized net grand list per capita.
    - (43) "Median household income adjustment factor" means the ratio of the median household income of the town to one and one-half times the median household income of the town with the median household income when all towns are ranked according to median household

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- 387 income.
- 388 (44) "Wealth adjustment factor" means the sum of a town's 389 equalized net grand list adjustment factor multiplied by ninety one-390 hundredths per cent and a town's median household income 391 adjustment factor multiplied by ten one-hundredths per cent.
- 392 (45) "Net current expenditures per resident student" means, in any 393 school year, the net current expenditures, as defined in section 10-261, 394 for such school year divided by the number of resident students in the 395 town for such school year.
- (46) "Education cost-sharing grant entitlement" means a town's fully
   funded grant plus any overage distribution.
- 398 (47) "Base amount" means a town's amount for equalization aid for 399 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, as enumerated in section 20 of 400 public act 16-2 of the May special session.
- 401 (48) "Overage" means an amount equal to the difference between the 402 sum of all base amounts and the sum of all fully funded grants.
- 403 (49) "Overage distribution" means an amount equal to a pro rata share of (A) thirty per cent of the overage for any town whose base 404 405 amount is less than fifty per cent of the fully funded grant, (B) twenty-406 five per cent of the overage for any town whose base amount is fifty 407 per cent or more, but less than sixty per cent of the fully funded grant, 408 (C) twenty per cent of the overage for any town whose base amount is 409 sixty per cent or more, but less than seventy per cent of the fully funded grant, (D) fifteen per cent of the overage for any town whose 410 411 base amount is seventy per cent or more, but less than eighty per cent 412 of the fully funded grant, (E) five per cent of the overage for any town whose base amount is eighty per cent or more, but less than ninety per 413 414 cent of the fully funded grant, and (F) five per cent of the overage for 415 any town whose base amount is ninety per cent or more, but less than 416 one hundred per cent of the fully funded grant.

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Sec. 3. (Effective from passage) (a) Not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section, the Department of Education shall issue a request for proposals for the purpose of conducting an adequacy study of public school funding in the state. Such adequacy study shall include, but need not be limited to, (1) an examination and analysis of the cost of delivering educational services in the state, (2) an adequate amount for the foundation level, and (3) equity adjustments for student need weights, such as students who are below the level of poverty as determined under Part A of Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, 20 USC 6301 et seq., students who are eligible for free and reduced price lunches pursuant to federal law and regulations, students enrolled in Husky A, and students who are English language learners as defined in section 10-76kk of the general statutes. Not later than August 14, 2017, the department shall select a person, as defined in section 1-79 of the general statutes, that has expertise in public funding for education to conduct such adequacy study.

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- (b) (1) Not later than December 14, 2017, such person shall submit an interim report on such adequacy study to the State Board of Education and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.
- (2) Not later than February 14, 2018, such person shall submit such adequacy study to the State Board of Education and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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Section 1	July 1, 2017	10-262h
Sec. 2	July 1, 2017	10-262f
Sec. 3	from passage	New section

## Statement of Purpose:

To establish an education cost-sharing grant formula for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, and to require the Department of Education to issue a request for proposals for an adequacy study regarding public education funding.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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